

July 15, 2003

Jeanette Adams, LCSW/ACADC P.O. Box 134 Bigelow, AR 72016

Re: Advisory Opinion #483-03-9

Dear Ms. Adams:

This letter is in response to your request for an advisory opinion in accordance with §19-11-715(b) of the Arkansas Code Annotated of 1987. Your request for an advisory opinion is based on the following facts:

- (a) You currently work full time for DHS, Division of Mental Health Services as a Social Worker II.
- (b) You seek an opinion regarding whether a conflict would exist if you began working as a subcontractor for PROUD, Inc., meeting with children in the foster care system on weekends to interview them, along with their foster parent to complete an Adoption Summary. You will have no choice as to which child as all assignments are by PROUD.
- (c) Your current job involves a completely different subject area and client base than the potential work for PROUD.

We think that any perceived or actual conflict is "insubstantial or remote" and accordingly issue you a "waiver" from the restrictions of ACT 48 of 1979 under ACA §19-11-715(c).

Sincerely,

Richard A. Weiss Director

cc: Pat McLemore Cindy Waller Tom Gay, Office of Atty Gen.